

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. An isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising  
a nucleotide sequence that comprises at least 24 contiguous  
5 nucleotides from SEQ ID NO:1.

2. An isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising  
a nucleotide sequence that:

- 10 (a) encodes the amino acid sequence shown in SEQ  
ID NO:2; and  
(b) hybridizes under stringent conditions to the  
nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:1 or the  
complement thereof.

15 3. An isolated nucleic acid molecule according  
to Claim 1, wherein said molecule is a cDNA.

20 4. An isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising  
a nucleotide sequence that encodes the amino acid sequence  
drawn from the group consisting of SEQ ID NO:2 and SEQ ID  
NO:4.

25 5. An isolated expression vector comprising the  
nucleotide sequence drawn from the group consisting of SEQ  
ID NO:1 and SEQ ID NO:3.